Verbs and Verb Phrases
With Horses...

Reading Level 2

Directions: Read each of the following sentences and identify the verb phrase. Circle your response. Some sentences have a one-word verb phrase.

1. Star's golden mane was blowing in the summer wind.
   a) was  
   b) blowing  
   c) was blowing  
   d) was blowing in

2. Strider is a male horse with a metallic grey mane and chrome hooves.
   a) is  
   b) a  
   c) is a  
   d) is a male horse with

3. Galloping through Ghost Valley alone can be scary.
   a) Galloping  
   b) can be  
   c) Galloping through  
   d) can be frightening

4. Moon, the leader of the Night Horses, has white ribbons in her blue coat.
   a) has  
   b) leader  
   c) leader of  
   d) has white ribbons

5. Sunny can shoot rainbows from her hooves with the power of her magic amulet.
   a) can  
   b) shoot  
   c) can shoot  
   d) can shoot rainbows

6. Flying all day long makes Cloudy, a member of the Night Horses, grumpy.
   a) Flying  
   b) Flying all  
   c) grumpy  
   d) makes

7. Cloudy combed her feathery mane and put red ribbons in her hair.
   a) combed  
   b) combed her  
   c) combed her mane  
   d) combed and put
8. The Night Horses have been fighting the Day Horses for control of their world since the dawn of the horse.
   a) have  
   b) have been  
   c) been fighting  
   d) have been fighting

9. The Night Horses are stronger in the ghostly beams of the full moon.
   a) are  
   b) are stronger  
   c) are in  
   d) are stronger in

10. Sunny might have spent more time under the summer sun than any other horse.
    a) might  
    b) might have  
    c) might have spent  
    d) spent

11. Strider has not been wearing his magic jetpack at the horse battles.
    a) has been  
    b) has been wearing  
    c) been wearing  
    d) has not been

12. Star was praying quietly in her room at the Night Horse's temple.
    a) was  
    b) praying  
    c) was praying  
    d) was praying quietly

13. Star is doing her homework under the moonlight.
    a) is  
    b) is doing  
    c) doing  
    d) is doing her

14. The Day Horses have a castle in the clouds called Cloud Cuckoo Castle.
    a) have  
    b) have a  
    c) have a castle  
    d) have a castle in the clouds

15. Rainy and Sunny crossed beams and made a super rainbow attack.
    a) crossed  
    b) crossed beams  
    c) crossed beams and  
    d) crossed and made

16. Cloudy and Rainy were being rude to their leader Moon.
    a) being  
    b) were being  
    c) were being rude  
    d) were
17. Sunny swept, scrubbed, and cleaned the stables with her magic horse broom.
   a) swept                         b) scrubbed and cleaned
   c) swept, scrubbed, and cleaned  d) swept, scrubbed, and cleaned the stables

18. Moon and Sunny were best friends before the Great Rift.
   a) were                         b) were best
   c) were friends                 d) were best friends

19. Strider would have led the Night Horses to Cloud Cuckoo Castle if Moon hadn't shown up.
   a) led                         b) would led
   c) would have                  d) would have led

20. Sunny might be sleeping on a pile of hay instead of on her feather mattress.
   a) be                          b) sleeping
   c) be sleeping                d) might be sleeping

21. Star's mane sparkled with shiny glitter even in the depths of night.
   a) sparkled                    b) sparkled with
   c) mane sparkled with          d) sparkled with shiny

22. Rainy and Cloudy jumped over the fence and grazed in the great green clover patch.
   a) jumped                     b) jumped over
   c) jumped and grazed          d) jumped over the fence

23. Strider wore a heavy steel saddle into battle with the Day Horses.
   a) wore a saddle              b) wore
   c) wore a                     d) wore a heavy steel saddle

24. Sunny may have been snoring last night in the stables of Cloud Cuckoo Castle.
   a) been snoring               b) have been snoring
   c) may have been snoring      d) snoring

25. Even with her magic horseshoes, Sunny will never defeat the Night Horses alone.
   a) will                       b) defeat
   c) will defeat                d) will never defeat the Night Horses
26. Rainy is shopping with her sister Cloudy at the Ghost Valley Horse Mall.
   a) is                          b) is shopping
   c) shopping                   d) is shopping with

27. Star stood on her hind legs and whinnied at the Day Horses tauntingly.
   a) stood                      b) stood on
   c) stood and whinnied         d) stood on and whinnied at the Day Horses

28. Cloudy already ate all of the sugarberry cupcakes.
   a) ate                        b) already ate
   c) ate all of                d) already ate all of

29. Moon had grown tired of Cloudy and Rainy's disrespect.
   a) had                        b) had grown tired
   c) had grown tired of        d) had grown

30. Rainy will be serving guests during Moon's next horse party.
   a) serving                   b) be serving
   c) will be serving           d) will be serving guests